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To: Microsoft ATR

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Subject: Microsoft Settlement

Dept. of Justice,

Please confirm the settlement already reached between Microsoft and the DOJ, and do it quickly. The remaining 9 plaintiff states are acting on the basis of their AG's, in my opinion, and not on what is good for the citizens of their states...which is an end to the uncertainty, and the release of creative software energy. This whole suit has been about protecting vindictive competitors who seek the courts intervention, rather than compete. Great injury has been done to Microsoft, and me the consumer by the whole process. So put it behind us, ratify the settlement, and let the market participants compete!

Thank you,

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